

Meeting community needs in Puerto Rico. More than **2,800** people of all ages and backgrounds are helping to solve problems and strengthen communities through **66** national service projects across Puerto Rico. Serving with national and community nonprofit organizations, faith-based groups, schools, and local agencies, these citizens tutor and mentor children, coordinate after-school programs, build homes, conduct neighborhood patrols, organize local homeland security efforts, respond to disasters, and recruit and manage volunteers. This year, the Corporation for National and Community Service will provide more than **\$10,100,000** to support Puerto Rico communities through two major programs:

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Senior Corps: More than **2,600** seniors in Puerto Rico contribute their time and talents in one of three programs: **Foster Grandparents**, who serve one-on-one with more than **4,700** young people who have special needs; **Senior Companions**, who help more than **1,200** other seniors live independently in their homes; and **RSVP** volunteers, who work with more than **130** local groups to meet a wide range of community needs.



AmeriCorps: This year, more than **390 individuals** are serving in Puerto Rico communities as AmeriCorps members. In return, the members receive an education award of up to \$4,725 to help pay for college or pay back student loans. To date, more than **1,400** Puerto Rico residents have qualified for education awards totaling more than **\$7,000,000**. Two-thirds of AmeriCorps grants are made by the Puerto Rico State Commission on Community Service. National nonprofits, such as the American Red Cross, make other assignments. Other members serve in AmeriCorps*VISTA, and AmeriCorps*NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps).

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PUERTO RICO At a Glance

<u>Senior Corps</u>	<u>Projects</u>	<u>Participants¹</u>	<u>Funding²</u>
RSVP	3	1,781	\$245,369
Foster Grandparent Program	4	554	\$1,720,605
Senior Companion Program	5	349	\$1,377,970
Senior Corps Total	12	2,684	\$3,343,945

<u>AmeriCorps</u>	<u>Program Sites</u>	<u>Members¹</u>	<u>Funding²</u>
AmeriCorps*State	7	16	\$1,398,566
AmeriCorps*National	2	8	\$160,469
AmeriCorps*VISTA	45	367	\$5,211,400
AmeriCorps Total	54	391	\$6,770,435

Total National Service Resources	66	3,075	\$10,114,380
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¹ This figure represents the number of enrolled members, as of March 15th, 2003. Many AmeriCorps programs have additional slots which may be filled during the 2002-2003 program year.

² This figure does not include the education award that each AmeriCorps member receives after completing a term of service. To date, more than **1,400** Puerto Rico residents have qualified for education awards totaling more than **\$7,000,000**.



Senior Corps in Puerto Rico

Primary City or Region	Sponsor Organization Program Name <i>(If different)</i>	Number of Volunteers	Program Type
Caguas	Central Regional Board on Elderly Affairs Caguas SCP	45	Senior Companions
Cayey	Corp Reg de Guayama Srvs Comun Cayey FGP	91	Foster Grandparents
Hato Rey	Municipality of San Juan San Juan Municipality RSVP	400	RSVP
Juncos	Board of Community Service-Hope for Aged SCP Juncos	79	Senior Companions
Ponce	Consejo de Salud De La Comunidad Ponce FGP	109	Foster Grandparents
Ponce	Consejo de Salud De La Comunidad Ponce SCP	38	Senior Companions
San Juan	Hope for the Aged, Inc.	239	Foster Grandparents
San Juan	Municipality of San Juan Municipal San Juan FGP	115	Foster Grandparents
San Juan	Admin Families & Children-Dp Family RSVP Admin for Families/Children	900	RSVP
San Juan	Governor's Office - Elderly Affairs Alzheimer's SCP	85	Senior Companions
San Juan	Hope for the Aged SCP San Juan	102	Senior Companions
Yabucoa	Gericulture Corp. Humacao Region Corporacion Gericola RSVP	481	RSVP
Total Number of National Senior Service Corps Volunteers		2,684	



AmeriCorps in Puerto Rico

Primary City or Region	Sponsor Organization Program Name (if different)	Number of Enrolled Members	Program Type
Aguada	Hogar Maria del Carmen	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Aguada	Programa De Apoyo Y Enlace Comunitario	6	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Aguadilla	Casa del Peregrino Aguadilla	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Aguadilla	La Tierra Prometida	13	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Aguadilla	Municipality of Aguadilla	33	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Aguadilla	PESCA	2	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Aguas Buenas	San Agustin del Coqui	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Aibonito	Hogar Divino Niño Jesús	2	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Arecibo	Youth Service Center ¹ CYF Educational and Environmental Initiative 2000	0	AmeriCorps*State
Arecibo	Oficina para la Promocion y el Desarrollo Humano	17	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Arecibo	OPDH / Sowing the Seeds of Hope	7	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Bayamon	Centro Shalom Agape	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Bayamon	Teen Challenge of Puerto Rico	46	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Caguas	Municipality of Caguas-Community Development	12	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Carolina	Comprehensive Links for After School Enrichment	10	AmeriCorps*State
Carolina	Universidad del Este Power UP	5	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Carolina	Universidad del Este / Gear Up	6	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Carolina	Universidad del Este / Job Development	5	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Catano	Asociacion Pro Juventud y Comunidad del Barrio Pal	8	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Cayey	Centro de Respiro y Rehabilitación San Francisco	1	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Cidra	COSSMA Community HealthCorps	4	AmeriCorps*National
Guaynabo	Hogar de Ayuda el Refugio	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Guaynabo	Puerto Rico Youth at Risk	6	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Hatillo	Centro de Intervencion e Integracion Paso a Paso	6	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Humacao	Centro de Ensenanza Para La Familia ¹ Multi Generation Transformation Program	0	AmeriCorps*State
Humacao	Multigeneration Transformation Program ¹	0	AmeriCorps*State
Loiza	Corporacion Pinones se Integra	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Mayaguez	College Coastal Conservation Corps	6	AmeriCorps*State
Mayaguez	Mayaguez Childrens Library	6	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Ponce	Museums and Communities Working Together ¹ Sor Isolina Ferre Center	0	AmeriCorps*State
Ponce	Centros Sor Isolina Ferre	10	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Ponce	Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico	15	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Ponce	Saint Luke's Home Care and Hospice Program	6	AmeriCorps*VISTA



AmeriCorps in Puerto Rico

Primary City or Region	Sponsor Organization Program Name <i>(if different)</i>	Number of Enrolled Members	Program Type
Saint Just	Mision Alpha y Omega	5	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Salinas	Centro VOLUNAC	2	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Antonio	Proyecto La Nueva Esperanza	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	American Red Cross - San Juan National Rapid Response Corps	4	AmeriCorps*National
San Juan	Cantera Peninsula Project ¹ The Cantera Peninsula	0	AmeriCorps*State
San Juan	Administracion de Instituciones Juveniles	16	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	American Red Cross	11	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Puerto Rico	3	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	Centro Cultural y de Servicios de Cantera	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	Comite de Amigos de la Biblioteca Carnegie, Inc.	3	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	CREARTE	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	Fondos Unidos de Puerto Rico	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	La Fondita de Jesus	6	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	PR Governor's Office for Elderly Affairs	2	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	Puerto Rico Assistive Technology Project	10	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	Sports and Recreation Department	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
San Juan	University of the Sacred Heart	11	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Santurce	Acción Social de Puerto Rico	2	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Santurce	Dr. Jose S. Belaval Community Health Center	4	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Vega Baja	Municipality of Vega Baja	10	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Yabucoa	Municipality of Yabucoa	26	AmeriCorps*VISTA
Total Number of Enrolled AmeriCorps Members		391	

This figure represents the number of enrolled members, as of March, 2003. Many AmeriCorps programs have additional slots which may be filled during 2003.

¹ This program has not yet enrolled AmeriCorps members for the 2002-2003 program year.

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